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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

STATUS OF PROJECTS

1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(January 2, 1951-January 8, 1951)

THE SITUATION IN KOREA
(NSC Action No. 407)

VIOLATIONS OF THE SECURITY OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION
(NSC Action No. 408)

NATIONAL MANPOWER MOBILIZATION POLICY
(NSC Action No. 410)

THE NATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFORT
(NSC Action No. 411)

NSC 99 -- PROGRAM OF PHYSICAL SECURITY FOR INDUSTRIAL
PLANTS AND ALLIED FACILITIES
(NSC Action No. 413)

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2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

A. ITEMS SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 78th NSC MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1951:

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE HANDLING AND TRANSMISSION OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 2, 1951)

A draft Executive Order on the subject, prepared by the ICIS, and an accompanying transmittal memo from the Chairman, ICIS, were submitted by the reference memo for Council consideration. Scheduled for consideration as Item 1 on the agenda for the 78th NSC Meeting, January 10. The Attorney General, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Chairman, AEC, have been invited to participate with the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Director of Defense Mobilization, in the consideration of this item.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO ITALY

(NSC 67/3; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 4, 1951)

A Department of State revision of the Conclusions of NSC 67/1, proposed in the light of developments in the Far East, was revised by the Staff Assistants, amended by the Senior Staff on December 18 and 29, and submitted for Council consideration as NSC 67/2. At the request of the Acting Secretary of Defense, NSC 67/2 was referred back to the Senior NSC Staff for consideration in the light of the views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff circulated by the reference memo. Subsequent report by the NSC Staff submitted as NSC 67/3 for Council consideration and scheduled as Item 2 on the agenda for the 78th NSC Meeting, January 10.

FUTURE COURSES OF U. S. ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AUSTRIA

(Progress Report, dated January 4, 1951, by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 38/4 and NSC 38/6)

Reference report circulated for the information of the Council and scheduled for information as Item 4 on the agenda of the 78th NSC Meeting, January 10.

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PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

B. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY MEMORANDUM ACTION

NSC 10/2

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 19, 1950)

Memorandum by the Chairman, NSRB, recommending a revision of NSC 10/2, submitted for Council consideration by the reference memo of June 19. Approved by State with comments, July 7. Awaiting action by other Council members.

COORDINATION OF U. S. AID PROGRAMS FOR FAR EASTERN AREAS

(NSC 61/1; NSC 61; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 16 and August 14, 1950)

Pursuant to NSC 61, a report by the Under Secretaries of State and the Army, and with the concurrence of the President, representatives for a Working Group were designated by the Secretaries of State, Defense, the Treasury, and Commerce, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator, to prepare a report looking to closer coordination of economic and military aid programs generally for Far Eastern areas. The report, prepared by the Working Group with the assistance of a representative of the Bureau of the Budget, was submitted for consideration by the reference memo of May 16 as NSC 61/1. Approved by the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce; disapproved by the Economic Cooperation Administrator, with comment. Reply of the Secretary of Defense with the views of the JCS was circulated by the reference memo of August 14, which summarizes the above replies and suggests an appropriate Council action in the light thereof. Approved by Defense and Treasury, August 17; by NSRB and ECA, August 18; by Commerce, with comments, August 19. Awaiting action by other Council members with respect to the suggestion in the reference memo of August 14.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

C. ITEMS AWAITING SUBSEQUENT NSC CONSIDERATION

RESULTS OF THE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER
(NSC 93/1)

Report by the Department of State on the subject circulated for the information of the Council. To be scheduled on the agenda of a future Council meeting.

THE UNITED STATES POSITION WITH RESPECT TO SOUTH ASIA
(NSC 98; NSC Action No. 224; NSC 48/2)

SANACC 360/14 on the subject, and amendments proposed by the Secretary of Defense, referred by the Council at its 42nd Meeting (NSC Action No. 224) to the NSC Staff for use in preparation of a report pursuant to NSC 48, "U. S. Policy Toward Asia", and for re-examination in light of that study (NSC 48/2) and the discussion at the meeting. Draft report by the NSC Staff submitted for Council consideration as NSC 98. To be scheduled on the agenda of a future Council meeting.

3. CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

A. SENIOR NSC STAFF

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO INDOCHINA
(NSC 64/1; Memo to Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 4, 1951)

On October 19, the Senior NSC Staff agreed to consider this subject further upon receipt of a draft paper on the subject prepared by the Southeast Asia Aid Committee, together with the comments of the State Department, the Joint Secretaries, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff thereon.

At the request of the Secretary of Defense the views of the JCS (NSC 64/1) were circulated for Council information and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. On December 27, the Senior Staff directed the Staff Assistants to prepare, as a matter of urgency, a draft report on the immediate steps the United States should take to meet the critical situation in Indochina. Draft report by Staff Assistants submitted to Senior Staff by the reference memo. Scheduled for consideration by the Senior Staff on January 8.

POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO COMMUNIST CHINA
(Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 22, 1950; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Policy Toward Asia in General and Toward China in Particular", dated December 14, 1950)

Recommendations by Senior State Member on the subject, circulated by the reference memo dated November 22 and discussed at Senior Staff meeting on December 12. Memo by Senior State Member transmitting correspondence exchanged between the Departments of State and Defense on the question of Formosa circulated by the reference memo dated December 14, for Senior Staff use in connection with its discussion of the subject. Awaiting CIA report on the five points listed in Part II of the reference memo dated November 22.

On January 5, the Senior Staff agreed to discuss the subject of our policy with respect to Communist China at its meeting on January 8. (See also Section 4.)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

U. S. COURSES OF ACTION IN THE EVENT THE SOVIETS ATTEMPT TO CLOSE THE BALTIC

(NSC 88; Memo for Senior NSC-Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 2, 1951)

NSC 88 circulated for information and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. At its meeting on October 19, the Senior NSC Staff agreed that State should prepare for Staff consideration a draft report on the subject, taking into account the views of the JCS in NSC 88. Draft report from State circulated by the reference memo. To be scheduled on a later Senior NSC Staff meeting.

THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST

(Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 12, 1950)

Memo by the Senior State Member on the subject transmitted by the reference memo and considered by the Senior Staff on December 29. Initial draft to be prepared by State. CIA to furnish intelligence estimate on local attitudes and conditions which affect protection of our interests and realization of our objectives. Awaiting intelligence estimate from CIA and initial draft from State.

RESULTS OF THE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND PRIME
MINISTER ATTLEE

(NSC Action No. 391-b; NSC 93; Checklist of NSC Policies for Possible Review, dated December 20, 1950)

Pursuant to NSC Action No. 391-b the Senior Staff discussed the subject on December 12 and agreed to consider the matter further in the light of proposals to be made by its members and in the light of a statement, to be prepared by the Executive Secretary, of the NSC reports which appeared to require review. NSC 93, a report by the Secretary of State, was subsequently circulated and referred to the Senior Staff for use in this connection.

Checklist prepared by the Executive Secretary was considered by the Senior Staff on December 20, at which time it was agreed tentatively, subject to any further discussion considered desirable, that most of the NSC policies requiring review in the light of the subject conversations would be reviewed in the course of work now in progress on current NSC projects or in connection with the State-Defense study now under way pursuant to NSC Action No. 393-b. (See Sections 2-c and 4.)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES POLICY WITH RESPECT TO BERLIN AND EASTERN GERMANY
(NSC 89; NSC 73/4, par. 42; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Additional Airlift to Support the Far East", dated September 27 and November 20, 1950; NSC Action No. 368; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Policy with Respect to Berlin and Eastern Germany", dated October 31, 1950)

At its 69th Meeting, the Council noted the reference memo of September 27, and the fact that the situation presented therein would be taken into consideration in the studies on the Berlin blockade referred to in par. 42 of NSC 73/4. Memoranda on the subject by the Deputy Under Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense were circulated for Council information as NSC 89, and referred to the NSC Staff for use in connection with this staff project. JCS study on airlift capabilities circulated to Senior Staff by the reference memo of October 31. Subsequent memo by the Deputy Secretary of Defense (reference memo of November 20) circulated for Council information and referred to the Staff for consideration in connection with this project. Awaiting study on the subject from State now in preparation in collaboration with Defense.

UNITED STATES POLICY WITH RESPECT TO TURKEY
(NSC Action No. 366-c)

In accordance with the reference Council action, the Senior NSC Staff discussed the subject on November 8 and agreed that State, in consultation with Defense, would prepare a draft report. Awaiting State report. (See also related projects in Section 3-C.)

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO IRAN
(Memos for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 24 and 26, 1950; NIE-14)

On October 25 the Senior Staff agreed that a draft report on the subject should be based upon a complete reassessment of the U. S. position toward Iran, including a review of the applicability to Iran of the basic U. S. position relating to the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East, approved in 1947, and of current British thinking regarding this area.

On October 30 the CIA member was requested, with assistance from appropriate departments and agencies, to prepare as early as possible an intelligence estimate of the extent to which the Western European economy is dependent upon Middle Eastern oil, and of the related problems involved in alternate sources of supply. CIA estimate (NIE-14) circulated January 8, 1951. To be scheduled on the agenda of an early Senior Staff meeting.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)COLLABORATION WITH FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS ON OPERATIONS AGAINST GUERRILLAS
(NSC 90)

NSC 90 circulated for Council information and referred to the Senior NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report. On October 30 the Senior State and JCS Members undertook to collaborate in the preparation of a draft paper covering both the political and military aspects of the problem; and the Senior CIA Member agreed to prepare an intelligence estimate on current and probable areas and characteristics of guerrilla warfare. Awaiting joint report by State, JCS, and CIA Members.

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY
(NSC 60/1)

On September 15 the Senior Staff agreed that this subject should be a continuing project and that accordingly the Senior State Member should keep the Senior Staff informed of any security policy issues which may arise, with a view to further consideration of the subject.

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD SPAIN

(NSC 72; NSC 72/1; NSC Action No. 312; Memo for NSC Consultants, subject: "The Provision of Military Aid to Spain", dated August 3, 1950; Revised memo of Senior NSC Staff meeting, August 11, 1950)

JCS views circulated as NSC 72 for Council information. State views, in response to NSC 72, circulated as NSC 72/1 also for Council information. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action and directed the NSC Consultants to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. A memo for the President by the Secretary of Defense on "The Provision of Military Aid to Spain", referred by the President to the Executive Secretary, was circulated by the reference memo of August 3 for the information and use of the NSC Consultants and Staff in connection with their study of NSC 72 and NSC 72/1. On August 11, the Senior Staff agreed to reconsider our relationship with Spain on the basis of a statement of U. S. military requirements with respect to Spain. Awaiting paper by Senior JCS Member.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO KOREA

(NSC Action No. 378; NSC 81/1, NSC 81/2 and NSC 73/4; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 10, 1950; Memos for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 13, 15 and 17, 1950)

At its 71st Meeting, the Council directed the Staff to study the views of State, JCS, and CIA, in the light of the Council discussion, and to advise the Council as to further steps which should be recommended to the President to meet the Korean situation. At its meeting on November 10, the Senior Staff agreed that the State Department would draft recommendations for consideration by the Senior NSC Staff, prior to their submission to the Council. An interim report by the NSC Staff was submitted as NSC 81/2 for consideration by the Council and the Secretary of the Treasury, and, in view of later developments, was withdrawn on November 30.

Subsequent draft reports considered by the Senior Staff on November 20, 29 and 30, December 1, 4 and 5. Preparation of further drafts deferred pending developments.

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

(NSC 68 series; Annex No. 8, Long-term Political and Economic Framework)

Awaiting revision of Annex No. 8 by State. (See also related projects in Section 4.)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

B. NSC STAFF ASSISTANTS

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO GREECE
(NSC Action No. 366)

Various Staff drafts, dating from August 8 to October 26, under revision. Revised report by State in collaboration with JCS and CIA circulated January 3. To be considered at an early meeting of the Staff Assistants.

GENERAL STATEMENTS OF PRINCIPLE DERIVED FROM NSC POLICY REPORTS
(NSC 73/4)

On September 6 the Senior Staff agreed that the Staff Assistants should examine existing NSC policy reports with a view to deriving therefrom any general statements of principle. General statements of principle derived from NSC policies circulated January 3. To be considered at an early meeting of the Staff Assistants.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARD YUGOSLAVIA
(NSC 73/4, par. 37-a-(2); Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Policy Toward Yugoslavia and the Furnishing of Military Assistance to Yugoslavia in Case of Aggression", dated September 5, 1950)

JCS memo circulated by the reference memo for Council information and referred to the Staff for use in connection with studies being prepared pursuant to NSC Action No. 348-b, with particular reference to the review of NSC 18/4. Awaiting initial draft report by State.

POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO SCANDINAVIA
(Ref. NSC 28/1; Progress Report, dated November 14, 1950, on NSC 28/1 and NSC 32/1)

On December 13 the Senior NSC Staff directed the Staff Assistants to prepare a draft revision of NSC 28/1 for consideration by the Senior Staff. Awaiting initial draft report by State.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

C. OTHER CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

RELEASE OF INFORMATION REGARDING NEW WEAPONS

(Memo for NSC Consultants and AEC Representative, from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 5, 1950)

At the direction of the President, the Council and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, undertook a consideration of the general problem of weapons information, including atomic weapons, in order to make appropriate recommendations to the President on the subject. A draft report, prepared by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the discussion at a meeting on June 22, has been circulated to the NSC Staff and a representative of the AEC by the reference memo. Awaiting redraft of this report by Defense.

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF GLOBAL WAR
(NSC 79; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 6, 1950)

JCS memo (NSC 79) circulated for Council information and referred to the Staff for use in the preparation of a report.

The Senior Staff designated an ad hoc group to draft a report to include both a statement of war objectives in the event of global war, and such related questions as a statement of the conditions that the U. S. would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR and its satellites. At the initial meeting of the ad hoc group under the chairmanship of the State member on October 6, the form and content of a response to the problems posed by NSC 79 were discussed and agreed upon. Awaiting draft by the State Policy Planning Staff.

UNITED STATES POLICY ON DEFECTORS

(NSC 86; NSC Action No. 364; Memo for Ad Hoc Committee on NSC 86, from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 5, 1950)

At its 69th Meeting the Council referred NSC 86, without endorsement of the proposals contained therein, to the Staff for the preparation of a report. The Senior Staff subsequently designated an ad hoc committee, including a representative from the Department of Justice, to prepare a draft report.

On October 26 the ad hoc committee agreed that initial studies would be prepared by State and CIA, with appropriate advice and assistance from the other departments and agencies represented on the committee. CIA report circulated by the reference memo. Awaiting report from State.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UTILIZATION OF FOREIGN MILITARY MANPOWER

(Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Proposed NSC Study of Manpower", dated December 4, 1950)

Memorandum by the Senior State Member on the subject circulated by the reference memo. On December 12 the Senior Staff agreed to designate an ad hoc group under the chairmanship of a JCS official and with officials from State, NSRB, Mr. Harriman's office and CIA, to prepare a draft report. Awaiting designation by Defense of member of ad hoc group. Preparatory to an initial meeting of the ad hoc group, the chairman is having a draft report prepared. (See also related item in Section 1.)

OPERATION OF ISBRANDTSEN COMPANY, INC. SHIPS TO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES

(NSC 87; Memos for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Strengthening of Export Control Laws", dated October 16 and 25, 1950; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 1, 1950; Memo for Special Committee on East-West Trade from Executive Secretary, subject: "East-West Trade", dated November 18, 1950; Memo for Special Committee on East-West Trade from Executive Secretary, subject: "Strengthening of Export Control Laws", dated December 19, 1950)

Referred to the Special Committee on East-West Trade by the Senior Staff on November 8. In view of recent actions on the subject reported by the Department of Commerce member transmitted by the reference memo dated December 19, and in light of current government policy with respect to export controls, it was suggested that the NSC 87 project be cancelled. Awaiting Special Committee action on this suggestion.

NSC DETERMINATIONS ON EAST-WEST TRADE

On December 6 the Special Committee on East-West Trade agreed that the Department of Commerce, with the assistance of representatives from State, Defense, NSRB, Treasury, ECA and CIA, would coordinate the preparation of statistical studies on the subject and submit those studies to the Special Committee for evaluation. Awaiting reports from Commerce.

4. OTHER CURRENT COUNCIL PROJECTS

APPRAISAL OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS, FACILITIES AND ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 7, 1950; NSC Action No. 282)

In approving the proposal by the Acting Chairman, NSRB, in the reference memo, the NSC directed (NSC Action No. 282) the CIA, in collaboration with the Government agencies concerned, to organize and conduct a study of foreign economic intelligence requirements, facilities and arrangements related to the national security, and, based on the findings of this study, to prepare for Council consideration and action a comprehensive plan for satisfying the foreign economic intelligence requirements of the national security and for a coordinated interagency effort to this end based on a definite allocation of responsibilities among the agencies concerned.

Interim reports by the CIA on September 8, October 4, and November 7, concerning the status of this project, indicate that the surveys of governmental facilities for the production of economic intelligence were scheduled for completion by November 30, and that a coordinated draft statement of requirements for foreign economic intelligence was scheduled for completion by December 14. Awaiting report by CIA.

SUPPORT FOR THE VOICE OF AMERICA IN THE FIELDS OF INTELLIGENCE AND OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

(NSC 66; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated April 4, May 11, and September 11, 1950)

In accordance with NSC 66 the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Chairman, FCC, and the Director of Central Intelligence, were requested to designate representatives to prepare a report for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman, FCC, in the event that the recommendations in NSC 66 were approved. Comments by Defense, FCC and CIA were transmitted by the reference memo of May 11 and, in the light of the Defense comment that further Council action should be deferred until an ad hoc committee of the IAC completed its investigation of the problem, the departments and agencies concerned agreed informally that this item should not be scheduled for Council consideration until the Director of Central Intelligence and the IAC had submitted a report.

An interim report by the Director of Central Intelligence (reference memo of September 11) indicated that the views of USCIB were being sought. Awaiting views of USCIB and final report by the Director of Central Intelligence.

OTHER CURRENT COUNCIL PROJECTS (Cont'd)THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO ASIA

(NSC 48/2; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 20, 1950)

Memo by the Deputy Secretary of Defense on the subject, circulated for Council information by the reference memo and referred to the Secretary of State for consideration of the action proposed in the second paragraph thereof. Awaiting response by the Secretary of State.

JOINT REVIEW OF POLITICO-MILITARY STRATEGY

(NSC Action No. 393-b; NSC 68/4)

The President directed (NSC Action No. 393-b) the Secretaries of State and Defense to undertake immediately a joint review of the politico-military strategy of this Government with a view to increasing and speeding up the programs outlined in NSC 68/4 in the light of the present critical situation, and to submit to the President as soon as possible appropriate recommendations through the NSC. Awaiting joint report by the Secretaries of State and Defense.

PORT SECURITY

(NSC Action No. 405; NSC 78 and related papers)

By the reference action the Council noted that the President requested the Secretary of Defense to have a careful study made of possible port security measures, including an appraisal of their effectiveness in relation to their probable cost, and to make appropriate recommendations thereon for consideration by the Council. Awaiting report by the Secretary of Defense.

PROVISION FOR STATE INTERNAL SECURITY FORCES

(NSC 96; NSC Action No. 409)

At the request of the Secretary of Defense the reference report was submitted for Council consideration. At its 77th Meeting, by the reference action, the Council agreed to request the Chairman, NSRB, to develop, in consultation with other interested agencies, a plan for the provision of essential Federal guidance and assistance to the States in organizing reserves to perform State and local security functions when the National Guard is ordered into active military service, this plan to include any necessary Federal legislation. Awaiting report by the Chairman, NSRB.

OTHER CURRENT COUNCIL PROJECTS (Cont'd)

A NATIONAL PETROLEUM PROGRAM
(NSC 97)

At the direction of the President, a letter from the Acting Secretary of Defense on the subject (NSC 97) was referred to the Director of Defense Mobilization to develop a national petroleum program leading to the complete supply of allied requirements, for consideration by the NSC. Awaiting report by Director of Defense Mobilization.

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